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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ARDRE, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GUTCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E. C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street, PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROENT, 19, Rue Montmartre, Paris, NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 135, Nassau Street, AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GUTCH, Melbourne and Sydney, SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco, SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore, C. HENNING & Co., Manila, CHINA.—SWATOW, CAMPBELL & Co., Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLS & Co., Foochow, HENDY & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WATSON, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 1,000,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—F. D. SASSON, Esq. Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq. E. R. BRILLIUS, Esq. ADAM LIND, Esq. H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, Esq. H. HOFFMANN, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq. Hon. W. KESWICK.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.

Shanghai, EMMET CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

(Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.)

(Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.)

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, February 27, 1878.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Plaintiff—CHUN A-YAU. Defendant—NG A-KW.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Hongkong, to sell by Public Auction, under a Decree of the Court made in the above Suit, on the Premises, on

FRIDAY,

the 15th March, 1878, at THREE o'clock in the afternoon—

All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND, situate lying and being at Victoria, in the Island of Hongkong, abutting on the North side thereof on the Praya, and measuring thereon Fourteen feet; on the South side thereof on a Public Road and measuring thereon Fourteen feet; on the East side thereof on a Close registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 70, and measuring thereon One Hundred feet; and on the West side thereof on a Close registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 206, and measuring thereon One Hundred feet, which said PIECE or PARCEL of Ground contains in the whole One Thousand and Four Hundred square feet, and is registered in the Land Office as MARINE LOT No. 80. For the residue of the term of 999 years created by a Crown Lease dated the 28th day of May, 1861, to commence from the 26th day of December, 1866, subject to the Yearly Rent of Twenty-four Dollars and Sixty-eight Cents, and to all other covenants, conditions and stipulations in the said Lease reserved or contained. The foregoing Property will be sold subject to a Mortgage of \$4,600 and interest thereon at 8 per cent. per annum calculated from the 25th day of January, 1878, and the said Mortgage expires on the 25th day of January, 1878.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to WILLIAM HENRY BAKER, Solicitor for the Plaintiff, 28, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 28, 1878. m15

For Sale.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.

HAVE FOR SALE.

Ex M. M. S. S. "AVAL,"

AND OTHER RECENT ARRIVALS.

TEYSSONNEAU'S STRAWBERRIES

in SYRUP.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED FRUITS

in NOYEAU.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED FRUITS

in BRANDY.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED PATES,

in Patent Tins.

TEYSSONNEAU'S PATE DE FOIE GRAS,

in Patent Tins.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED JAMS and

JELLIES, in Glass Bottles.

PHILIPPE and CANAUD'S ASSORTED

PATES.

PHILIPPE and CANAUD'S LONG ASPA-

RAGUS.

PHILIPPE and CANAUD'S SARDINES.

FENARD & FILS'

FINEST

CHERBOURG BUTTER, in Bottles.

CIGARETTES, COMPAGNIE

LAFFERME.

RICHMOND SMOKING MIXTURE.

BARCELONA NUTS.

BRAZIL NUTS.

PEA NUTS.

ALMONDS in SHELL.

SMYRNA FIGS.

MUSCATEL BLOOM RAISINS, in

Cartons.

EPPE'S COCOA.

BORDEN'S CONDENSED MILK.

GOLDEN GATE FLOUR, in Barrels.

GALEFINE and ISINGLAS, in 1 lb.

Packets.

WAFFLE IRONS. AMERICAN

BROILERS.

VERY FINE

"O. K." BOURBON WHISKY.

BILLIARD CUE TIPS.

BILLIARD CUE ORNAMENT.

BILLIARD CHALK.

BILLIARD TABLE CLOTHS.

BARCLAY and PERKINS' PORTER, in

Hogheads.

Hotel's Best Quality RUSSIAN ROPE.

Hotel's ASSORTED TARRED and

WHITE LINES.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, February 22, 1878.

FOR SALE.

THE BRITISH 3-MASTED SCHOONER

"RUBICON,"

of 204 Tons Register, or about 4,800 piculs

carrying Capacity, as she now lies in this

Harbour.

Apply to

MEYER & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1878. m14

FOR SALE.

LARGE TAKASIMA COAL,

Ex Godown at \$8 PER TON.

Apply to

THE G. GLOVER,

No. 7, Queen's Road Central, and

East Point.

Hongkong, February 18, 1878. m18

COAL.

BEST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM

COAL for Sale, ex Godown.

Apply to

BATTLES & Co.

Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

Intimations.

STANDARD FIRE OFFICE, LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents to the above Company at this

Port, are prepared to grant Policies against

Fire to the extent of \$40,000, on Buildings

or on Goods stored therein.

Discount 20%

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878

A CARD.

D. W. C. EASTLAKE, DENTIST,

can be Consulted at his Rooms,

No. 1, Alexandra Terrace, daily from

10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Hongkong, February 8, 1878. m15

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. ROGERS begs to say that he has

RETURNED, and is now ready to

receive Patients.

Hongkong, November 28, 1877.

KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,

COAL MERCHANTS,

Have always on hand for Sale every

description of COAL at Moderate Prices.

Mr. ARTHUR has been appointed Manager,

and all Orders addressed to him at 27,

Praya, or to Mr. FAY JACK, at 30, King

Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-

tion.

Hongkong, March 19, 1877. m19

Intimations.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

UMBRELLAS, AUTOMATON PATENT.

NOVELTIES in TIES and SCARFS.

COLLARS and SHIRTS, in New Shapes.

CHRISTY'S Newest Shapes in HATS.

TALL BLACK SILK and DRAB HATS.

ELWOOD'S CORK and FELT HELMETS.

MEERSCHAUM and BRIAR PIPES.

CIGAR TUBES, Assorted.

LAWN TENNIS BATS and BALLS.

RACQUET BATS and BALLS.

CRICKET BATS, BALLS and STUMPS.

CABINETS of GAMES.

LADIES' DRESSING BAGS, Fitted.

MANTEL-PIECE MIRRORS.

FRENCH and ENGLISH DOLLS.

AMERICAN ICE PITCHERS.

RUSSIAN CIGARETTES.

SILBER KEROSINE LAMPS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, February 25, 1878.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO.,

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the

Seventh Ordinary MEETING of the

SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company

will be held at the Head Office, Victoria,

Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 22nd March,

1878, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of

receiving the Report of the Directors, to-

gether with a Statement of Accounts to 31st

December, 1877.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 8th March to

the 22nd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

OLYPHANT & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, February 22, 1878. m22

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of

the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present

Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st

August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to

be sent in on or before the 31st March,

1878, to the Secretary of the Hongkong

Hotel Company, LIMITED, who will supply

any information required.

By Order of the Directors,

LOUIS HAUSCHILD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, September 15, 1877. ap1

G. FALCONER & Co.,

WATCH and CHRONOMETER

MANUFACTURERS,

AND

JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS

AND BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, February 20, 1878. m20

W. BALL,

CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER of DRUGS, CHEMICALS,

DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET

REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-

CINES and PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness,

and Prompt Attention.

PRATA WEST, HONGKONG.

Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.

Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE

SOCIETY OF THE

UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.

J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.

SAMUEL BOWBOW, Secretary.

A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for

China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,

120, Broadway, New York.

Assets.....\$31,700,000

Surplus.....\$ 5,500,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents in Hongkong, China, for the

above Company, are prepared to Accept

Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon

terms very favourable to the assured.

For full information and particulars,

apply to

OLYPHANT & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG GENERAL CHAM-

BER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of MEMBERS of the HONGKONG

GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be

held at the City Hall, on THURSDAY,

the 7th Proximo, 1878, at 4 p.m.

By Order,

E. GEORGE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, February 26, 1878. m17

NAVAL CONTRACT, 1878-79.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will

be Received by the Undersigned, un-

til Noon on FRIDAY, the 15th March,

1878, from Persons desirous of SUPPLY-

ING the following ARTICLES for the use

of H. M. Navy for the year 1878-79, viz.:—

FRESH BEEF.

TEA.

FRESH VEGETABLES.

RAISINS.

RICE.

WATER.

SUGAR.

SOFT BREAD.

BISCUITS.

Printed Forms of Tender and further

particulars can be obtained at the Naval

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STRAIT FOR—
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;
Also,
PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CAL-
CUTTA AND BOMBAY.

ON THURSDAY, the 7th March,
1878, at Noon, the Company's
S. S. *AVR*, Commandant HERVIER,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIES,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Species will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.
Cargo will be received on board until
3 p.m., and parcels until 3 p.m.
on the 6th March, 1878. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.
H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 22, 1878. mo7

Occidental and Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE

CENTRAL

and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "BELGIO" will be de-
parted for San Francisco via Yoko-
hama, on MONDAY, the 11th March,
at 8 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.
Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 10th instant. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 8 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-
SAGE TICKETS.
For further information as to Freight
and Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 57, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, February 25, 1878. mo11



STRAIT FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean
Ports, Southampton,
and London.

Also,

Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and
Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
"COMBARDY," Captain J. ORMAN, will
leave this on THURSDAY, the 14th
March at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, February 28, 1878. mo14

To Let.

TO LET.

THE Dwelling House No. 6, Mosque
Terrace, possession from 15th April
next.

Three Offices, in Club Chambers.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, February 28, 1878.

TO LET.

STABLES, to Accommodate Three
Horses and a Carriage.
Apply to THE MEDICAL HALL.
Hongkong, February 28, 1878.

TO LET.

SMALL GODOWN IN DUNDRELL STREET.
Apply to
KYLE & BAIN,
Ice House.
Hongkong, February 7, 1878. mo7

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 8, Queen's Road Central,
with Godowns attached.
House No. 2, Pedder's Hill.
House No. 2, Seymour Terrace.
DAVID SASSOON, BONS & Co.
Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

Intimations.

AH YON,
SHIPS' COMFRADORE AND
STEVEDORE,
No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF
COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH
PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S
STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

NOTICE.

A. MILLAR & Co.,
PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS,
Queen's Road East,
HONGKONG.
September 15, 1877.

ESTATE OF DODD & Co.

AT the MEETING held on the 12th
instant at Messrs DODD & Co.'s
OFFICES, the following RESOLUTIONS
were carried:—

1. That the affairs of the said Dodd
& Co. shall be Liquidated by arrangement,
and not in Bankruptcy.
2. That FRANCIS CHOMLEY be, and he
is hereby appointed Trustee.
3. That H. ABENDROTH and EDMUND
PYE be, and they are hereby appointed a
Committee of Inspection.

All PAYMENTS on account of the
Estate, it is requested, will be Paid to the
order of the Undersigned.

F. CHOMLEY,
Trustee for the Estate of
Dodd & Co.
Amoy, January 14, 1878.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY,
IN LIQUIDATION.

A SECOND RETURN of CAPITAL at
the Rate of FIVE TABLS per
SHARE will be made to Shareholders of
record on the 1st October, Payable at the
Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th inst.

Warrants will be delivered by the Undersigned
to Shareholders or their lawful
representatives on presentation of Share
Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th
instant, inclusive.
By Order,
RUSSELL & Co.,
Liquidators.

Shanghai, October 2, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

FROM and after the Chinese New Year's
day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese
Mail will be issued DAILY instead of
WEEKLY as heretofore. No change, how-
ever, will be made in the price of subscrip-
tion, which will remain at \$4 per annum.
The charges for advertisements are now
assimilated to those of the *China Mail*.
The unusual success which has attended
the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable
medium for advertisers.

The Conductors guarantee an eventual
circulation of one thousand copies. It is
already the most influential native journal
published, and enjoys considerable prestige
at the Ports of China and Japan, and at
Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Fran-
cisco and Australia.

For terms, &c., address
Mr. CHUN AYIN,
Manager.

China Mail Office,
17th February, 1874.

INSURANCES.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Saidon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Coals in Mates, on Goods on board
Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Har-
bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to \$1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

INSURANCES.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSO-
CIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up.....Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE....., 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND....., 75,000
Total Capital and accumula-
tions this date.....Tls. 725,000

Directors:
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman,
M. W. BOYD, Esq., J. C. KRESS, Esq.,
M. P. EVANS, Esq., O. LUCAS, Esq.

Secretaries:
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.
London Bankers:
Messrs. BARRING BROTHERS & Co.

Agencies in:
HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and
the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to
all parts of the World, at current
rates.

Subject to a charge of 12% for interest
on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS
OF THE UNDERWRITING BUSINESS will be
annually distributed among all Contribu-
tors of Business in proportion to the
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 1, 1877. ool

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premiums contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1875.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Directors:
KWOK ACHONG, Merchant.
PANG YIM, Merchant.
HO SAM, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant.
LOO YEE, of the Yee On Hong, Merchant.
LEE SING, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant.
CHEUNG SING YONG, Merchant.
CHOY CHAN, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.

POLICIES against FIRE granted on
BUILDINGS and on GOODS stored
therein at CURRENT RATES, subject to
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

OFFICE, 43, Bonham Strand.

Hongkong, August 23, 1877. su23

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
of
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
\$5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1873.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

SHIP CASHMERE, FROM CARDIFF.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby notified that
she has arrived in Port, and requested to
take immediate delivery of their Goods.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1878. mo14

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Ex "Ava."
FF (in diamond) No. 177/8 Order, } from
2 cases Hats, } London.

WGG No. 4291, Mr. W. G. Greig, 1 case
Wine, from Marseilles.

" " 4292, Mr. W. G. Greig, 3 cases
Brandy, from Marseilles.

" " 4293, Mr. W. G. Greig, 8 cases
Brandy, from Marseilles.

" " 3250/65, Order, 6 cases Cham-
pagne, from Marseilles.

TP, Mr. T. Pennequin, Tonkin, 1 case Pro-
visions, from Marseilles.

Hongkong, February 28, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR AMOY, TAMSUI & TAIWANFOO.

The Steamship
"ALBA,"
Capt. F. AERTON, will be de-
parted for the above Ports
on WEDNESDAY, the 6th instant, at Day-
light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, March 2, 1878. mo8

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 41 American ship
"CHALLENGER"
will load here for the above
Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 2, 1878.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE
CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I.
and II., A to M, with Introduction. Royal
8vo, pp. 404.—By BENJAMIN JOHN EITEL,
Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS
AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD
& Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs
KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

QUICKSTEP, American barque, Captain
Barnaby.—Captain.

TARTAR, German brig, Captain Kaemena.
—Melchers & Co.

MARIE, German barque, Captain Hun-
dewadt.—Wieler & Co.

PALESTINE, British barque, Captain H.
Sowercroft.—Tal Lee.

LOUISA, German 3-m. schooner, Captain
Schlerloh.—Eduard Schellhaas & Co.

MARQUIS OF ARGYLL, British barque,
Captain W. McKee.—Rozario & Co.

NORTH STAR, American ship, Captain
J. U. Thomson.—Order.

DANTE, British steamer, Captain A.
Clanohy.—Yuen Fat Hong.

P. J. CARLETON, American barque, Capt.
J. A. Amsburg.—P. & O. Co.

TEX LI, German barque, Captain T. O.
Peterson.—Wm. Futau & Co.

FERNTOWER, British steamer, Captain
Mackie.—Chinese.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Mar. 1, *Cassandra*, German steamer, 837,
Langer, Saigon Feb. 24, Rico.—Wm.
FUTAU & Co.

Mar. 2, *Teh Li*, German barque, 850, T.
C. Peterson, Singapore Jan. 31, Timber.—
Wm. FUTAU & Co.

Mar. 3, *Kwangtung*, British steamer,
674, G. T. Westoby, Foochow Feb. 27,
Amoy 28, and Swatow March 1, General.—
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Mar. 2, *China*, for Canton.

2, *Faugh-a-Balaugh*, for Quinhon.

2, *Nicolaus*, for Whampoa.

2, U. S. S. *Tennessee*, for Singapore
and New York.

CLEARED.

Sophie, for Quinhon.

Marie, for Newchwang.

Hieronymus, for Newchwang.

Dauphin, for Labuan.

Norma, for Swatow.

Hana, for Chefoo.

Fidèle, for Newchwang.

St. Anna, for Newchwang.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

For *Kwangtung*, from Coast Ports, Messrs
E. Vincent, Blithen, Gourda, Meorides,
De Sousa, E. Vincent, Junr., Rob. Harry,
Lent, A. Ramsay, and 83 Chinese.

For *Cassandra*, from Saigon, 16 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Kwangtung* reports:
Left Foochow at 1.30 on the 27th Feb.,
had variable winds and thick foggy wea-
ther, with constant heavy rain up to 4 a.m.
on the 28th. Arrived in Amoy at 11 a.m.
on the 28th. Thence to port fresh N.E.
winds and cloudy weather.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per *Taiwan*, at 11.30 a.m. on Monday,
the 4th inst.

For MANILA.—
Per *Bataan*, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday,
the 4th inst.

For AMOY, TAMSUI & TAIWAN.—
Per *Albay*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the
5th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet *Ava* will
be despatched from Hongkong on
THURSDAY, the 7th March, with
Mails to and through the United
Kingdom and Europe, via Mar-
seilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Bata-
via, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras,
Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and
Alexandria.

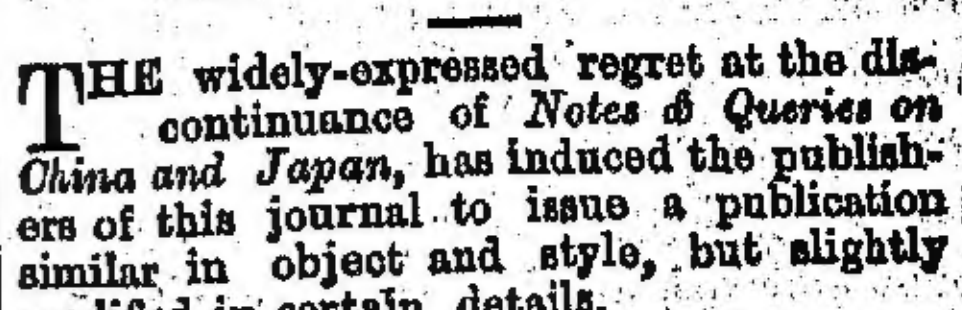
The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 6th March.—
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the NIGHT BOX,
which remains open all night.

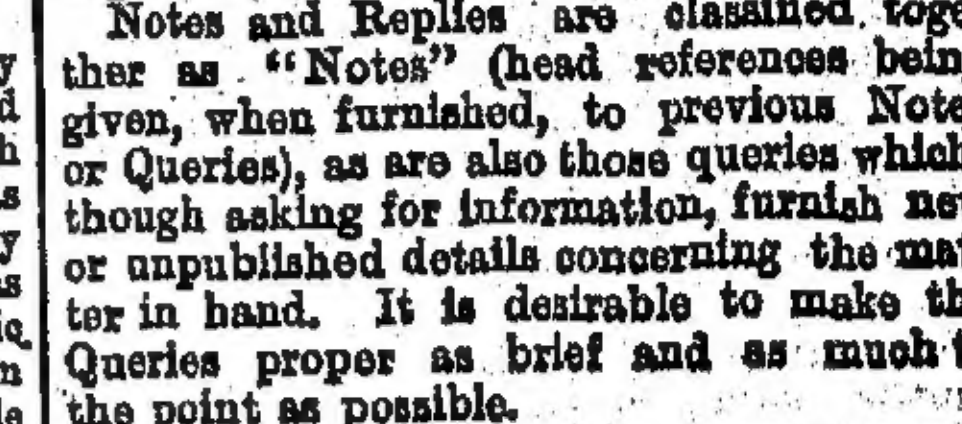
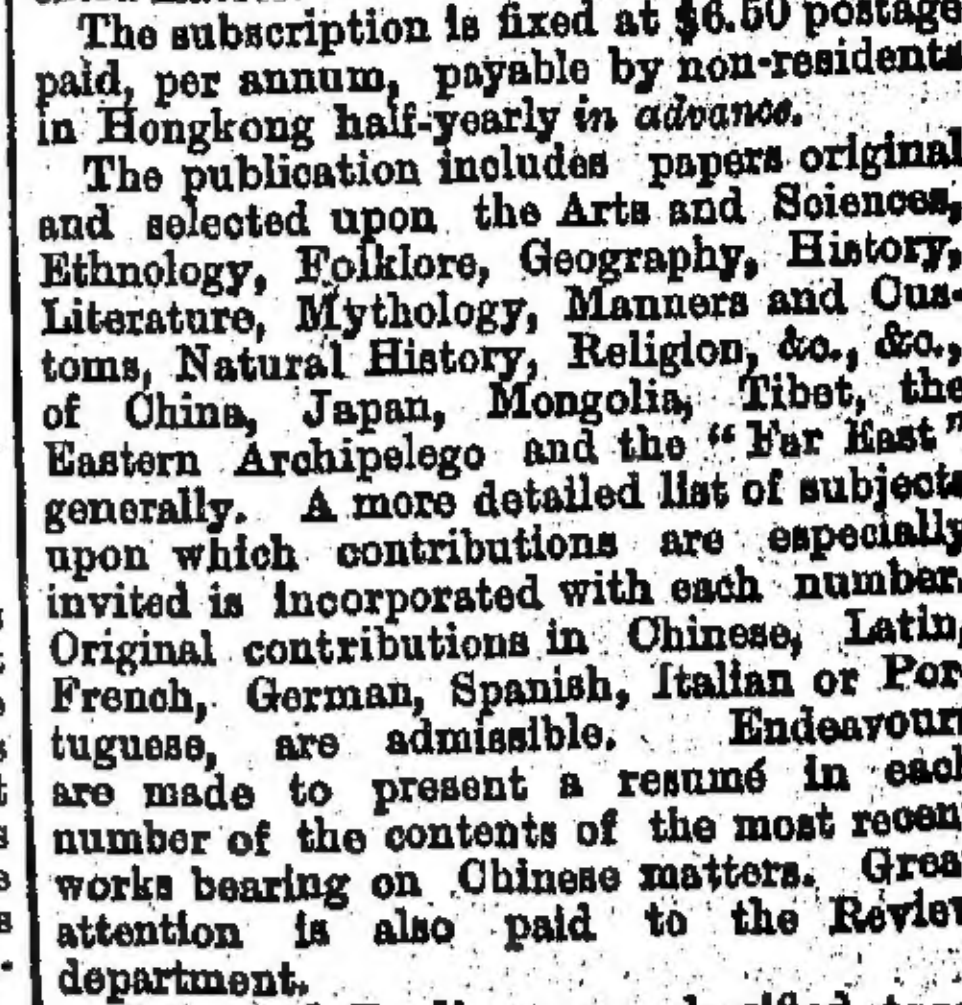
Thursday, 7th March.—
7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

Intimations.

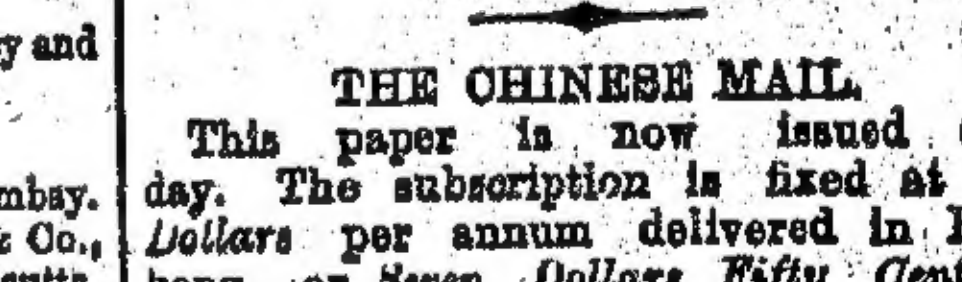
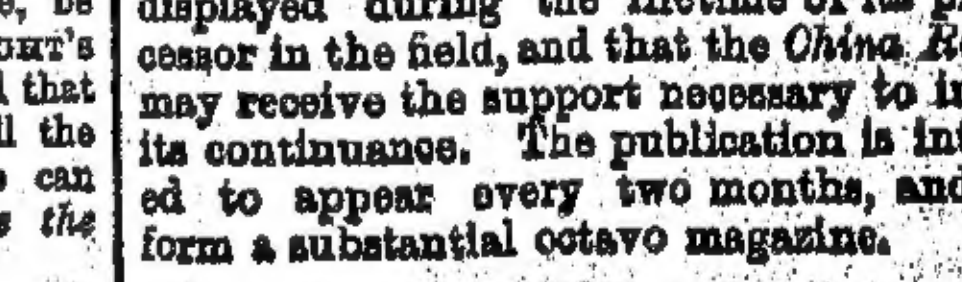
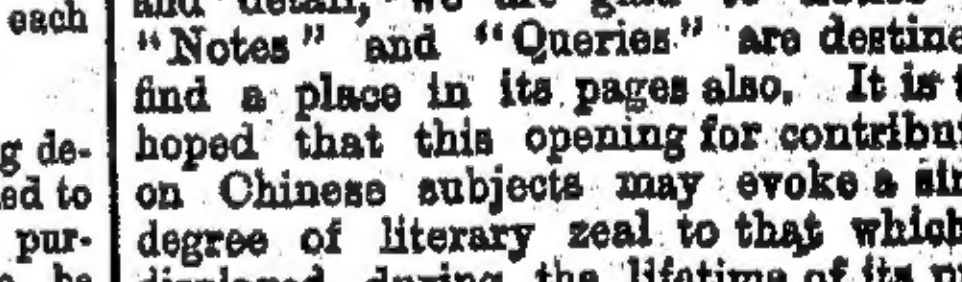
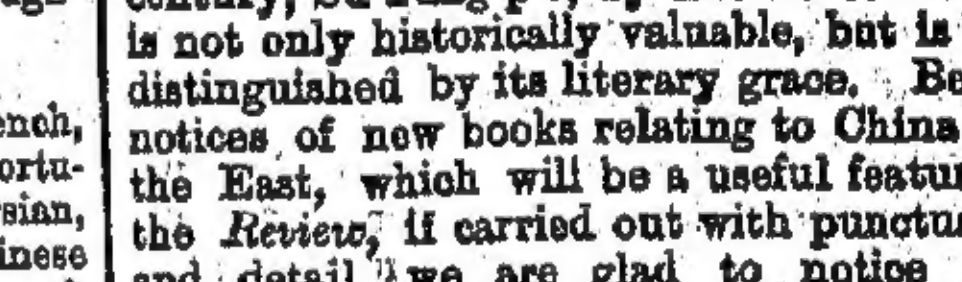
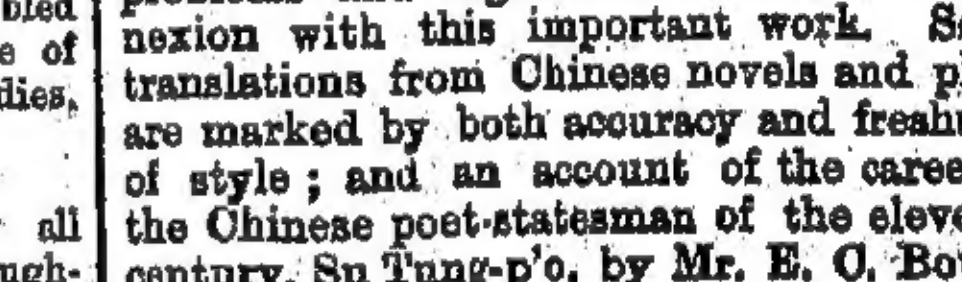
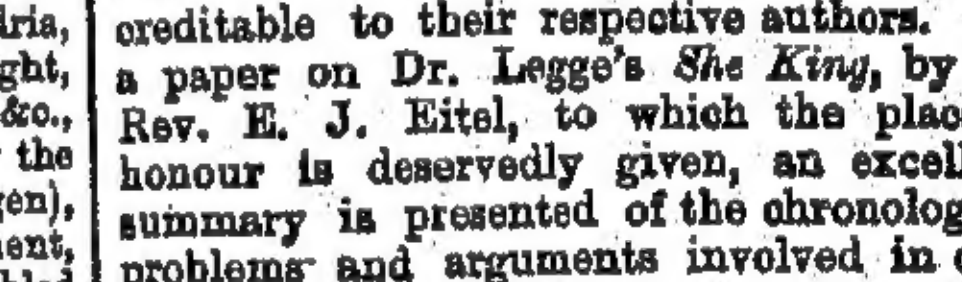
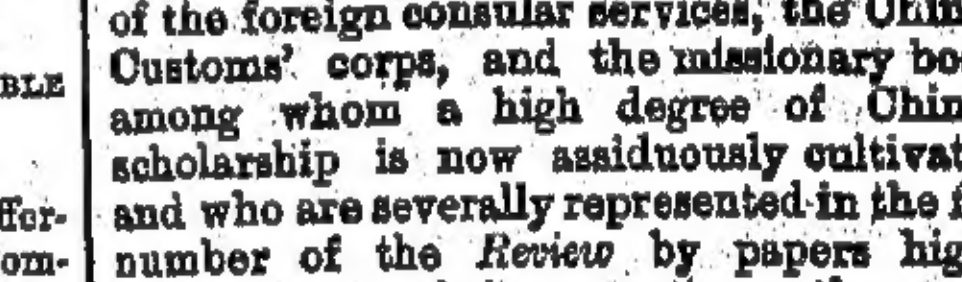
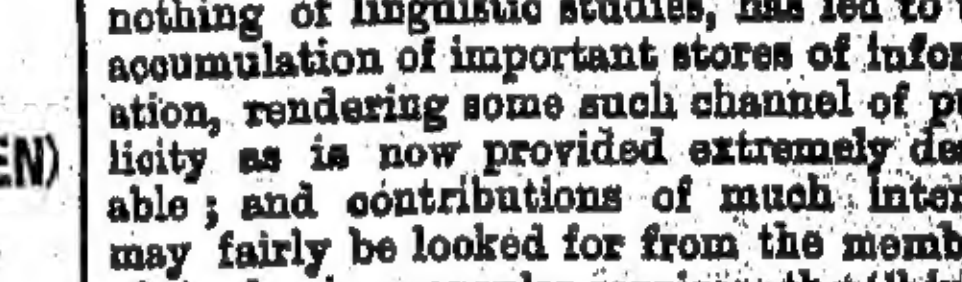
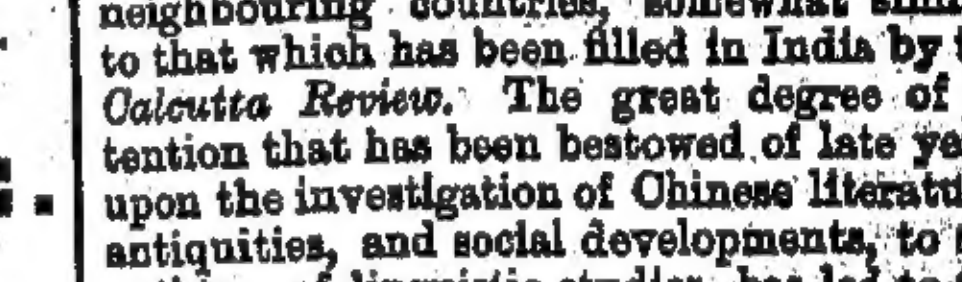
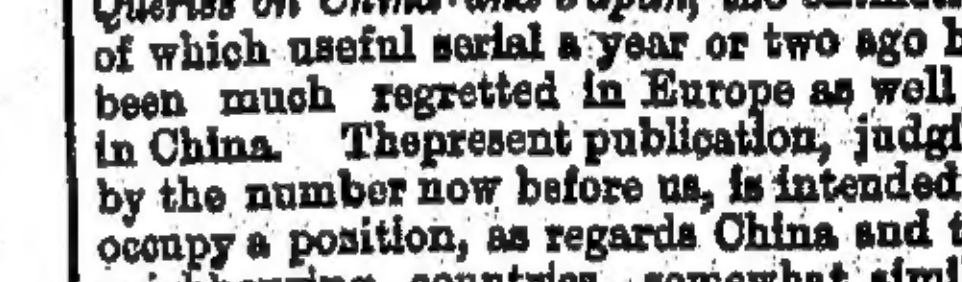


THE CHINA REVIEW, or Notes and Queries on the Far East, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.



The *China Review* for July and August 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity to the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and entertaining *Review*. It is a six-paged, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. This lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume alludes with the price of the *Review*. Address *China Review*, Hongkong.—*Northern* *China Review*, (T.S.A.)

Trübner's *Oriental Record* contains the following notice of the *China Review* :—"The title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as some respects a continuation of *Notes of a Chinese in China and Japan*, the extracts



It is the first Chinese Newspaper issued under purely native direction. The editorial department is conducted by Mr. Chun Ayin, whose experiences

Co., demonstrated. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the community, amongst whom also are found the guarantors and subscribers necessary to place it on a business

The projectors, basing their estimate upon the most reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan, from Australia, California, Singapore, Penang, Saigon, and other places frequented by the Chinese, have arrived at the following conclusions:

by the Chinese, — consider them justified in guaranteeing an unlimited circulation of between 3,000 and 5,000 copies. The advantages offered to subscribers are therefore unusually great. The foreign community generally will

The field open to a paper of this description—conducted by native efforts—progressive and anti-obstructive in the broadest limits. It on the one

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\$2.50 News and Advertisements.
Subscription orders for either
above may be sent to
GEO. MURRAY B.
China Mail Office

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POSTAL RATES.

[Subjoined we give the postal rates now in force for transmission of correspondence to all parts of the world. Detailed rules affecting the transmission of packets, parcels, &c., will be found annexed, together with a number of miscellaneous and useful notices.]

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised Nov. 9th, 1877.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

N.B. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, the United States, Brazil, India (including Ceylon, the Straits, and Aden), Japan, Egypt, Siam, Mauritius, Seychelles, Jamaica, Trinidad, British Guiana, and Bermuda, with all French, Danish, Netherlands, Portuguese, and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are: the Australasian Group, British North America, Africa (except French, &c., Colonies), and Central America.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—
Letters, 12 cents per ½ oz.
Registration, 8 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
Books and Patterns, 4 cents per 2 oz.
Exceptional rates, to the United Kingdom and Union countries served through the United Kingdom via Brindisi only:—
Letters, 10 cents per ½ oz.
Registration, 8 cents.
Newspapers, 4 cents each.
Books and Patterns, 6 cents per 2 oz.
There is no charge on redrafted correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

W. Africa, Falkland Islands, Lagos, Gold Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Gambia, Cape Verde Islands:—

| | Via San Francisco, or via the Atlantic | Via the Pacific |
|---------------------|--|-----------------|
| Letters, 12 | 26 | 26 |
| Registration, 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Newspapers, 4 | 6 | 6 |
| Books & Patterns, 8 | 10 | 10 |

Asiatic, Panama:—
Letters, 18
Registration, None
Newspapers, None
Books & Patterns, 8

Canada, Vancouver, Prince Edward's Island, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia:—
Letters, 12
Registration, 8
Newspapers, 2
Books & Patterns, 4

Bahamas, Hayti:—
Letters, 14
Registration, 34
Newspapers, None
Books & Patterns, 6

Bolivia, Chili, Ecuador, and Peru:—
Letters, 30
Registration, 46
Newspapers, 6
Books & Patterns, 14

Hawaiian Kingdom:—
Letters, 16
Registration, None
Newspapers, 4
Books & Patterns, 8

W. Indies, (except as above) Costa Rica, Guatemala, Monte Video, New Granada, and Venezuela:—
Letters, 26
Registration, 34
Newspapers, 6
Books & Patterns, 14

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji (N.Z.), Natal, Cape, St. Helena, Ascension.
Letters, by Contract Packet 24; by Private Ship 12; Registration 12; Newspapers 2; Books and Patterns, 4.

* A small extra charge is made on delivery.
† Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

LOCAL AND TOWN POSTAGE.

| | Letters | Registration | Newspapers | Books & Patterns | Per 2 oz. |
|--|---------|--------------|------------|------------------|-----------|
| Within any Town or Settlement, or between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction, &c. | 2 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Between any other two of the following places (through a British Office) viz:—Hongkong, Macao, Porto of China, and Japan, Bangkok, Saigon, and the Philippines, by Private Ship, &c. | 4 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Between the above by Contract Mail, &c. | 8 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 4 |

Any publication fulfilling the conditions hereafter named can pass as a newspaper. The conditions are as follows:—
1st. The publication must consist wholly or in great part of political or other news, or of articles relating thereto, or to other current topics, with or without advertisements.

2nd. It must be published in numbers at intervals of not more than 31 days, and must be printed on a sheet or sheets unattached.

3rd. The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every subsequent page; and this regulation applies to Tables of Contents and Indices.

4th. A supplement must consist wholly or in great part of matter like that of a newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets, or a piece or pieces of paper, unattached, or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrative of articles in the newspaper. The supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page; or, if it consists of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side.

A packet containing two or more newspapers is not chargeable with a higher rate of postage than would be chargeable on a book packet of the same weight.

A newspaper posted unpaid, or a packet of newspapers posted either unpaid or insufficiently paid, is treated as an unpaid or insufficiently paid book packet of the same weight.

The postage must be prepaid either by an adhesive stamp, or by the use of a stamped wrapper.

No newspaper can now be sent through the post a second time for the original postage. For each transmission a fresh postage is required.

Every newspaper must be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of easy removal for examination. If this rule be infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily inspected.

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplements is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet be sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter, written in it or upon its cover, is charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter.

No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in length, one foot in width, nor one in depth.

A book-packet may contain any number of separate books or other publications (including printed or lithographed letters), photographs (when not on glass or in cases containing glass or any like substance), drawings, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, or any other substance in ordinary use for writing or printing upon; and the books or other publications, prints, maps, &c., may be either printed, written, engraved, lithographed, or plain, or any mixture of these. Further, all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, &c., or of a portion thereof, is allowed, whether such binding, &c., be loose or attached, as also covers in the case of prints or maps, markers (whether of paper or otherwise) in the case of books, pens or pencils in the case of pocket-books, &c., and, in short, whatever is necessary for the safe transmission of such articles, or usually appertains thereto; but the binding, rollers, &c. must not be sent as a separate packet.

Circulars, &c., letters which are intended for transmission in identical terms to several persons, and the whole or the greater part of which is printed, engraved, or lithographed, may also be sent by book post.

But a book-packet may not contain any letter, or communication of the nature of a letter (whether separate or otherwise), unless it be a circular-letter or be wholly printed; nor any enclosure sealed or in any way closed against inspection; nor any other enclosure not allowed by Rule 3. If this rule be infringed, the entire packet is charged as a letter.

A book-packet may be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise), or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination; or otherwise it is treated as a letter. For the greater security of the contents, however, Postmasters being authorized to cut the string in such cases, although if they do so they must again tie up the packet.

No book-packet may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above 24 inches in length, 12 inches in width, or 12 inches in depth, unless it be sent to or from one of the Government offices.

When, owing to a great and unusual influx of letters, books, &c., the transmission or delivery of the letters would be delayed if the whole mail were dealt with without distinction, book-packets may be kept back till the next despatch or delivery.

The limit of size for a book-packet addressed to any place abroad is 24 inches in length and 12 inches in width or depth.

PATTERNS.

They must not be of intrinsic value. This rule excludes all articles of a saleable nature, and indeed whatever may have a value of its own, apart from its mere use as a pattern; and the quantity of any material sent ostensibly as a pattern must not be so great that it can fairly be considered as having on this ground an intrinsic value.

Pattern and Sample Post to colonies and foreign countries is restricted to bona fide trade patterns or samples of merchandise. Goods sent for sale, or in execution of an order (however small the quantity may be), or any articles sent by one private individual to another, which are not actual patterns or samples, are not admissible.

Patterns or samples, when practicable, must be sent in covers open at the ends, and in such a manner as to be easy of examination. But samples of seeds, drugs, and such like articles, which cannot be sent in covers of this kind, but such articles only, may be posted enclosed in boxes, or bags of linen, of other material, fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened; or, in the case of seeds, &c., for the United States of America, Holland, Greece, Portugal, and its possessions, and Switzerland, the bags entirely closed, provided such closed bags are transparent, so

as to enable the Officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents.

There must be no writing or printing upon or in any packet except the address of the person to whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles.

Samples of intrinsic value must not be sent to any foreign country except United States; and in the case of France samples of elder down, raw or thread silk, woolen or goats' hair thread, vanilla, saffron, carmine, or hennep, are considered to fall under this rule; if they weigh more than three ounces, and up to this weight raw and spun silk, as well as coloured and twisted silk, may be sent to Germany.

The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bags or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as the following have been occasionally posted as Patterns, and have been detained as unfit for the Post, viz: Metal boxes, porcelain and China, fruit, vegetables, bunches of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, scissors, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, sharp pointed instruments, samples of metals, samples of ore, samples of glass bottles, pieces of glass, acids of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and confectionery of all kinds.

Such articles as scissors, knives, razors, forks, steel pens, nails, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal or ore, provided that they be packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mail bags and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples to the following countries, but to these alone, viz: the Azores, Belgium, Cape de Verd Islands, Denmark, Egypt, Germany, Holland, Madeira, Moldavia, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United States, Venezuela, and the British Colonies.

Indigo cannot be sent to any place abroad.

A packet of patterns or samples sent to the Azores, Cape de Verd Islands, France, Madeira, Portugal, or by French packet, to Turkey, Syria, or Egypt, must not exceed 18 inches in length, width, or depth; a packet to any other place abroad must not exceed 24 inches in length or 12 inches in width or depth.

To provide the greatest possible facilities for posting Correspondence for Europe, &c., up to the latest moment before the departure of the French Packets, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters—except those to and through Australia—from 11.10 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. Each letter must bear a late fee of 18 cents extra postage.

The above arrangement is intended to meet occasional emergencies, and not for the regular posting of extensive correspondence. Should it be found, therefore, that large and unmanageable numbers of letters are habitually thrown upon the Department at the last moment, a heavier late fee will be imposed.

A similar supplementary Mail will be made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to half an hour after the time of closing. The late fee will also be 18 cents.

Miscellaneous Notices.

There will be communication with Australia via Batavia and Port Darwin, as follows:—

Leave Hongkong by French Packet, Sept. 15. Nov. 29.
Leave Batavia, Oct. 12. Dec. 24.
Due at Port Darwin, Oct. 12. Dec. 24.

Sydney, Oct. 31. Jan. 12.
Melbourne, Nov. 6. Jan. 18.
Adelaide, Nov. 12. Jan. 24.

For the present the correspondence can only be paid to Batavia, from which place it may possibly be forwarded without further charge.

Mails exchanged with Manila and Saigon.

The Philippine Islands being now admitted into the General Postal Union, it follows that all paid correspondence received from Manila in the mails will be delivered free by this Office, and that all paid correspondence sent to Manila in the mails should be delivered free there.

Article IX of the Postal Treaty of Bern provides that "Neither the senders nor the addressees of letters and other postal packets shall be called upon to pay, either in the Country of Origin, or in that of Destination, any tax or duty other than the recognised rates levied (in the case of paid correspondence) by the despatching Office. It is hoped that any extra charge, or apparently extra charge, will at once be brought to the notice of the proper authorities, in either Colony in any to loose letters sent outside the mails. These will always be charged on arrival in Hongkong and probably the Manila Office will adopt the same course.

Complaints are sometimes received of extra charges on correspondence exchanged between this Colony and Saigon, but it is believed it would be found in all cases that the letters, &c., had been sent loose.

Any Foreign stamps on loose correspondence are obliterated in this Office.

Indian Correspondence.

Unpaid Letters are not received for the Indian Mail Packets.

The Pre-payment of correspondence for the Straits, India, Ceylon, and Aden is compulsory by whatever opportunity it is forwarded.

Registration to Bangkok.

Her Britannic Majesty's Consul General for Siam has been good enough to make arrangements by means of which correspondence to the United Kingdom via Southampton by British Packet for one penny; or via Batavia by British Packet for three pence. Hongkong stamps will prepay this class of

Soldiers' and Sailors' Letters.

Privates in H.M. Army or Navy, Non-commissioned Officers, & Army Schoolmasters (not superintending or Private Class) or Schoolmistresses may send half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom via Southampton by British Packet for one penny; or via Batavia by British Packet for three pence. Hongkong stamps will prepay this class of

But not Warrent Officers, viz: Assistant Engineers, Gunners, Boatmen, or Carpenters.

correspondence exactly the same as Imperial Stamps.

Soldiers' and Sailors' letters are, however, charged as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations:—

1. Not to exceed half an ounce. No double letters are allowed.
2. If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full on the letter, and the commanding Officer must sign his name, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.
3. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

Communication with Batavia.

The Netherlands India Packets leave Singapore fortnightly, and are fitted to the arrival of the outward P. & O. Mail from Europe.

The French Packets for Batavia wait at Singapore for the Packet from China and run fortnightly.

It follows that, to forward Correspondence to Batavia with the least delay, the following are the best opportunities:—

In the S.W. Monsoon.
The French Mail.
In the N.E. Monsoon.
A Private Steamer a few days before the English Mail.

The French Mail.

The Post Office is not, by law, responsible for any loss or inconvenience which may arise from the non-delivery, mis-delivery, or mis-direction of any letter, book, or other postal packet (even if the packet be registered); nor is the Post Office responsible for any injury which a packet may sustain during its transmission.

To guard against such injury all postal packets which are likely to suffer from stamping or from great pressure should be placed in strong covers; and even with this precaution no fragile article should be sent through the Post. It should be remembered, however, that it is exposed to considerable pressure and friction in the mail bag; and that, whenever the bag has in the course of its transmission to be transferred by means of the railway apparatus, the risk of injury is much increased.

No information can be given respecting letters which pass through a Post Office except to the persons to whom they are addressed; and in no other way is official information of a private character allowed to be made public. A Postmaster may, however, give an address if he has no reason to believe that the person whose address it is would disapprove of his doing so.

Postmasters are not allowed to return any letter or other packet to the writer or sender, or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address, even though a request to such effect be written thereon.

Postmasters are not bound to give change, nor are they authorised to demand change; and when money is paid at a Post Office, whether as change or otherwise, no question as to its right amount, goodness, or weight can be entertained after it has been removed from the counter.

Postmasters are not bound to weigh any letters or other packets for the public, but they may do so if their duty be not thereby impeded.

The practice of sealing letters passing to and from the East and West Indies, and other countries with hot climates, with wax (except such as is specially prepared), is attended with much inconvenience, and frequently with serious injury, not only to the letters so sealed but to the other letters in the mail, from the melting of the wax and adhesion of the letters to each other. The public are therefore recommended, in all such cases, to use either wafers or gum, and to advise their correspondents in the countries referred to, to do the same.

The registration of a packet makes its transmission much more secure, inasmuch as, under ordinary circumstances, a registered packet can be traced through its whole course; and thus the loss of a registered packet is a very rare occurrence. Nevertheless large sums of money or other articles of great value should not be sent through the post, even if the packet be registered; as the machinery of the Department is not arranged with a view to such transmission. By law, the Post Office is not responsible for the safe delivery of registered packets; though any officer who may neglect his duty on this point will be called to strict account. Sent in unregistered letters, valuable articles are exposed to risk, and offer a temptation which ought not to be created; and the Department cannot in any way undertake the safe conveyance of such packets. All inland or colonial letters, therefore, which contain coin, and all inland letters which contain watches or jewellery, even though they be posted without registration, are treated as registered, and are charged on delivery with a double registration fee of eightpence in addition to the ordinary postage; and any such letters which cannot be registered in time to be forwarded by the Mail for which they are posted are detained for the next despatch. Even if the letter do not contain any article of intrinsic value, it should, if it be very important, be registered.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—
Books and Papers to British Offices, 3 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 2 lbs.
Patterns to British Offices, 8 lbs. If with intrinsic value, to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

4. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all: Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

5. The public is reminded that, in China and Japan, there is no such thing as Parcel Post. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts

to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by sea. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

6. Payees.—Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of what is a Payee. It is a bona fide sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with showing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

7. To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office will in future be allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

8. Between Hongkong and Shanghai, or Hongkong and Yokohama, however, in either direction, Money-Orders must be used.

9. The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed \$25 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two, as no separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

10. The Postmaster or Agent may postpone purchasing if his public funds in hand are not sufficient, and he will refuse to purchase in any case which appears doubtful or suspicious. He is allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent on all Stamps purchased.

11. Letters containing Stamps should be Registered, and the Stamps should be secured from observation.

During the N.E. Monsoon, the Chartered Agents of sailing ships for Manila, Saigon, and Bangkok are requested to give notice to the Post Office of the departures of such ships.

No correspondence will be forwarded by sailing vessel but such as is specially so directed.

Correspondence for the West Indies (except those belonging to the Postal Union, the Bahamas, and Hayti), for Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent via San Francisco.

Money Order Regulations.

1.—Money Orders on the United Kingdom are issued at Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama. Shanghai and Yokohama also issue on Hongkong and vice versa.

2.—Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Stamps.

3.—Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order is filled up, and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (including commission) in cheque, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Office closes some hours before the departure of the mails.

4.—No order must exceed £10, or include any fraction of a penny. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrived.

The commission is as follows:—
Orders on the United Kingdom.
Up to £20, 18 cents.
" 20 to £50, 36 "

" 50 to £100, 54 "
" 100 to £250, 72 "
" 250 to £500, 90 "
" 500 to £1000, 108 "

Local Money Orders.
Up to £25, 18 cents.
" 25 to £50, 36 "

5.—List of Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom may be consulted at Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama.

6.—Names must be given in full (except when there is more than one Christian name) but the name of the Payee need not be given if the order be crossed (as cheques are crossed). It can then be paid only through a Bank, and may afterwards be specially crossed to any Bank.

7.—No order can be paid till the Payee has signed it in the proper place. An order can be transferred to another office on payment of an additional commission. In case of loss of an order, necessity for stopping payment, or the like, application should be made to the nearest Money Order Office for instructions.

8.—If the order be not presented within six months an additional commission will be charged; if not within twelve months, the money will be forfeited. When the order is once paid no further claim can be entertained.

9.—No order can be paid until the advice relative to it has been received.

* Made out on a printed form which is supplied gratis.
† Orders on Shanghai are drawn at 2 per cent premium in all cases.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

Unclaimed Correspondence.

March 1, 1878.

| Letts. Paps. | Letts. Paps. |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Adwards Coran & Co. | 5 |
| Alves, J. M. | 1 |
| Amplins, Edwin | 1 |
| Byrde | 1 |
| Barnby, Alfred | 1 |
| Barnes & Co. | 1 |
| Messrs | 1 |
| Brown, Capt. | 1 |
| Bun Hong Han | 1 |
| Burnell, K. A. | 1 |
| Campbell, W. | 1 |
| Caven, George | 1 |
| Chen, Tse Ong | 1 |
| Collins, Capt. | 1 |
| E. F. | 1 |
| Collier, Capt. | 1 |
| Creagh, Capt. | 1 |
| 38th Regt. | 1 |
| Croft, Philip | 1 |
| Datta, R. B. | 1 |

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| Mann, Henry | 9 |
| Manson, Thomas | 1 |
| McCarthy, Dr. | 1 |
| McEnery, J. | 1 |
| Merrill, Albert | 1 |
| Mills, Charles F. | 2 |
| Mirza, Aham | 1 |
| Mirza, Sidi | 1 |
| Moore, Miss | 1 |
| Moreland, L. | 1 |
| Nicholls, Jas. | 1 |
| T. B. | 1 |
| Pelago, Jose | 1 |
| Poulson, R. | 1 |
| Benjamin, Geo. | 1 |
| Robertson | 1 |
| Capt. R. | 1 |
| Rolan, Monsr. | 1 |
| Rosell, J. E. | 1 |
| Rosenthal, P. | 1 |
| Rutgers, F. A. | 1 |

| Letts. Paps. | Letts. Paps. |
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| Santos, J. G. | 1 |
| Sarda, Monsr. | 1 |
| Scott, Mrs. | |

The charge against one of Mr. Algar's coolies for stealing a ring from the body of the late Captain of the S. S. *Fernando* came on again to-day at the Police Court. There was not sufficient evidence to bring home the theft to the prisoner, but he was sent to three months' hard labour for unlawful possession of the ring.

At the Police Court to-day Wong Ayan, a coolie, was sent to nine months' hard labour for picking pockets, and in the course of the examination Inspector Lindsay said the defendant had been pointed out to him by an old offender as a pickpocket. About thirty well-known pickpockets have recently arrived in the Colony.

INQUEST.

An inquest was held at the new Government Civil Hospital to-day before James Russell, Esq., Coroner, and the following jury:—Messrs A. N. Love, A. Wohlers and J. de C. Medina, on the body of James Murray, a Private in the 74th Regiment, who was found drowned near the Harbour Master's wharf on the morning of the 1st inst. The jury viewed the body, and adjourned till Monday, the 4th March, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the Magistrate's.

The following is a list of the Articles presented to the City Hall Museum from Jan. 26th to 28th Feb. 1878.—A breech-loading Pistol and pair Knuckle-dusters, by J. M. Armstrong, Esq.; Bird, from Swatow, by Captain Morrison; Bird, by Wm. Schmidt, Esq.; 2 Tain-tang-chi, from Lantau Island, by Thos. Ide Bowler, Esq.; Specimen of Ore, by Ho Mei, Esq.; Fish, by A. Lay, Esq.; Night Heron, by T. H. Vale, Esq.; Crab, by Julia R. Brockelmann, Esq.; Fish from Carimatta Passage, by Capt. E. Kline; Centipede, from Formosa, by J. J. Francis, Esq.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending February 27th, 1878:—

| | European. | Chinese. |
|----------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Thursday, Feb. 21st, | 52 | 1128 |
| Friday, 22nd, | 72 | 815 |
| Saturday, 23rd, | 97 | 825 |
| Sunday, 24th, | 63 | 265 |
| Monday, 25th, | 74 | 840 |
| Tuesday, 26th, | 38 | 730 |
| Wednesday, 27th, | | |
| Totals, | 448 | 4,436 |
| Grand total, 4,884. | | |

PRESENTATIONS TO THE HEAD MASTER OF THE CENTRAL SCHOOL.

This afternoon, Mr. Stewart, who is about leaving the Colony for Europe on a short leave of absence, was presented with addresses and parting gifts from Chinese merchants and Chinese masters, old pupils and present pupils in the Central School. Among those present were the following:—Messrs Wai A-kwong, Yung A-kwong, Yung A-kwong, Wong A-kwong, Sun Ya-chiu, Ohan Tai-kwong, Ohan Kwan-l, Ohan Chi-yung and many other gentlemen belonging to the various sections of the Chinese Community, besides a very large number of old scholars. Mr. Stewart, being a Government official, is precluded from accepting gifts of any great value, hence the presents offered to-day were, perhaps, more noteworthy as testimonials of the general esteem in which he is held by the Chinese community than as articles of intrinsic worth. The subscribers to the presents offered Mr. Stewart to-day had intended to record their high appreciation of that gentleman's character and merits in a still more substantial and valuable form than they have done; as it is, the merchants and others reduced the value of their gifts as much as possible in order to allow the old scholars to present Mr. Stewart with a massive silver cup, said to be worth over \$400, permission to accept which was kindly granted by His Excellency the Governor.

The first address presented, was from Chinese merchants, parents of children who are being, or have been, educated in the School. With the address, several gifts were handed to Mr. Stewart, including a phoenix in jade stone, an embroidered shawl, figured fans, and a parcel of silk handkerchiefs. The address was embellished in gold letters on a large banner roll of silk, while two smaller side scrolls of a like nature contained parallel verses, also in illuminated characters. The *tout ensemble* of the scrolls was very effective. In presenting the addresses and gifts, Mr. Wai A-kwong of the Chartered Mercantile Bank made a few appropriate remarks, in which he thanked Mr. Stewart on behalf of the parents for the education which he had given to their children during so many years; he also wished Mr. Stewart a pleasant journey home. The following is a translation of the address:—

Hongkong, 1878.

To FREDERICK STEWART, Esq., M.A., Inspector of Schools, Hongkong.

Excellent indeed are your manifold virtues; your fame has spread throughout the Middle Kingdom. Your erudition is profound, and your influence is felt in places remote. Numerous scholars have

had in you a perfect example, and all merchants respectfully regard you as their model. You are returning to your home, laden with honours, where may happiness await you, but it will be difficult for us to abstain from longing for you to come back. We offer these few words which we have selected in your praise, and in a parting cup, we now bid you farewell!

WONG SHING.
WAI KWONG.
KWOK A-KWONG.
CHUNG SANG.
LEUNG OR.
CHAN TAI-KWONG.
FUNG MING-SHAN.
YUNG LAN-KO.
OHAN KWAN-L.
HO TSEN-SHAN.
WONG TSO LEUNG.
LAU TUNG.
YUNG LEUNG.
PONG FUK-V.

PARALLEL VERSES.

1. The bell reverberates through Hongkong; and the fertilising rain and dew descend.
2. The Starry Chariot is hastening homeward; but we earnestly long for the rain-laden clouds.

PARAPHRASE.

1. You have set an example for the whole colony; your kindness, like the dew which falls from heaven, is felt everywhere.
2. You are journeying home to your Father Land, but we are earnestly looking out for your return.

Mr. STEWART, in returning thanks, said he had not prepared a formal reply to the kind address with which they had presented him. He was very much obliged to them indeed for this manifestation of their kindness, which was not the only one he had received from them. Ever since he had come to the Colony he had experienced the greatest consideration from the parents of the boys. He hoped that, after a short leave of absence at home, he would have the pleasure of seeing them all again.

Mr. CHIU CHI-YUNG then came forward and said,—Mr. Stewart; Sir; We, the teachers of the Central School and Government Schools throughout the Colony, learning that you are about to proceed to England, take this opportunity of presenting to you an address, which Mr. Yip Ut-lau will now read.

Mr. Yip Ut-lau then read the following address in Chinese:—

TRANSLATION.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1878.
To FREDERICK STEWART, Esq., M.A., Head Master of Inspector of Schools.

Graven tablets preserve the love, and record the virtuous acts and instructions which have been freshly bestowed. The gift of a fan called the "publishing of benevolence" celebrates a reputation far and wide. Thus also to keep green the memory of the Duke of Ohio, the ode of "the sweet Tong trees" was composed, so also to cherish the memory of the Chief of Sun, the song of "the graceful millet" was sung.

So it is with you, Sir, Mr. Frederick Stewart. You have grounded upon an excellent principle, you have furnished an invaluable example to future scholars, and are thus truly entitled to the highest honours. You are a renowned English Scholar, yet you become an Instructor of our Chinese youth. Heaven has largely gifted you with intelligence. Your character is as pure gold and precious gem, and the number of your good deeds daily increases. You especially excel in administrative ability. Even in your youth the range of your studies was extensive, and you then gradually mastered the principles of literature and science. In your manhood you travelled abroad, and here in this colony of Hongkong you founded a great school.

Natives and foreigners value the excellence of your character, and are anxious to imitate the principles of your illustrious example. Your scholars are delighted to receive your instruction, and numbers of them, having completed their education under you, have become great and useful men. You have threaded the golden needle for many learned scholars, for your teaching, like the breezes of spring, has produced lasting as well as a bell tolling in the distance, and dews to descend in showers on the distant fields.

According to a regular system, for sixteen years, you have skillfully taught them, and your teaching has been varied and extensive. A multitude, upwards of two thousand in number, have listened to your words, and these have been correspondingly fruitful in result. Father and son in succession have received your instruction, and brothers have assisted you in carrying out your commands. Even in places separated by mountains and clouds the people have heard of your fame and have come to sit at your feet. Since no new school has been built, like the scholars (of China) standing in the snow, great numbers await outside the gates, and men earnestly desiring the sight of the sun, and who would prevent its departing by interposing the clouds.

With great labour and for many years you have taught in our midst, and now desiring a brief rest (a swallow's nest) you have brought out your chariot to return to your native land. You now joyfully sing the "Song of departure." Now that a great number shout for joy and compose a eulogy in your praise; now that companies of merchants accompany you and with many shakings of the hand, and in libations of wine bid you farewell—now, the masters belonging to your Department, have long enjoyed your fragrance, and our pupils like buds of peach and plum trees have set into fruit under your shadow. Such results make it indeed a difficult matter to forget you. So, with respectful hearts, we indie these rude words in some faint degree to express our never-changing (Sunflower) singleness of heart towards you. We heartily congratulate you that, on your return to the home of your fathers, your reputation has been increased and your influence extended. We respectfully hope that in no distant time you will enjoy the music of the Spring and listen to the harmony of the Shat-kam. Although at this present time our respective horizons are far apart, yet how can we restrain our desires for the evening clouds and the green leaves of spring. We heartily wish that in the coming year a happy

command will send you again among us, so that we may behold those happy times, described in the odes of the Shi, which tell us how that talent was encouraged and right men were appointed in places of power.

We have the honour to remain, [Here follow the signatures.]

This address was illuminated on four large silk scrolls, which were suspended from the walls of the room.

Mr. STEWART, in reply, said: I am very much obliged to you for the kind words you have used respecting me, and for your good wishes in regard to my journey to England. I am very glad to see so many of you here to-day; some of you I remember were here when I came to the Colony, and others of you I have been connected with for many years. I am much obliged to you for your kindness.

Mr. CHIU CHI-YUNG then read the address from the old pupils residing in Hongkong and various parts of China, which was as follows:—

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1878.

To FREDERICK STEWART, Esq., M.A., Head Master of Inspector of Schools.

SIR,—We the undersigned old pupils of the Central School living in Hongkong and in various parts of China respectfully beg to present you with the following address on the occasion of your departure for your native land.

It is now sixteen years since you came among us. Many of us, your earliest pupils, who have had a continuous residence in this Colony, have observed attentively your official career with the utmost admiration and the greatest satisfaction. Your arduous labours in the cause of education in this place are fully appreciated by all of us. Your instructions have been extended to all without distinction.

We now thank you for the instruction which you gave to us, as otherwise we could never have held the positions we now hold under the respective Governments of Hongkong and China, and in Commercial Houses. We also beg here to recognize the liberality of your system of education.

You insisted on our being educated in the language and literature of our own country, while you taught us your own language and the science of the West. By this means you have increased the facility of our intercourse not only with foreigners but with our own fellow-countrymen. During your period of service, we wish you every enjoyment. We trust that you will return among us, in renewed health and strength, to advance the cause to which you have hitherto devoted your life and energies.

We have the honour to be, Sir, &c. [Here follow the signatures.]

After reading the address, Mr. CHIU CHI-YUNG expressed regret that they were unable to present the address, embellished in Chinese characters, and the silver cup, with which they intended to accompany it, because neither was yet ready. As soon as they were finished they would send them to the City Hall for exhibition for a few days there, after which they would be sent on to Mr. Stewart. In the meantime he begged Mr. Stewart to accept a few other small gifts they had with them.

Mr. STEWART said he was glad to see so many of his old scholars present on that occasion, and highly pleased to think that their positions in life were so far due to the instruction they had received in that school. He was greatly obliged to them for their kindness. He recognised the faces of every one of them although such a long period had elapsed since they were in the school.

MASTER KWOK HUNG-KWAI, one of the present pupils, then came forward and said: Mr. Stewart,—Sir; In the name of the pupils now residing in the Central School I beg to present you with the following address:—

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1878.

F. STEWART, Esq., M.A.

SIR,—As you are now on the eve of your departure hence for Europe, we the undersigned pupils at the Government Central School under your able tuition, consider that we would be remiss in our duty if we were to allow this opportunity to escape us without offering you our humble respects. We therefore beg leave to express to you our most sincere and heartfelt sense of all the goodness which we have received of late, and the benefits we have derived from your hands. Your very effective management, your kindness of disposition, and your urbanity of temper have made you so much respected by us that we could not permit this moment to pass without expressing our profound respect and affectionate feelings that all and every one of us entertain towards you, and take leave to offer you a small memento, with the request that you will favor us by your acceptance of it.

In taking leave of you, we fondly cherish the hope that you will meet with a prosperous voyage to your country and home,—that you will enjoy a happy reunion with your family and friends, and that you will experience the fulfilment of every fond hope and desire of your heart, and that you will soon return to us in renewed health, strength, and spirits.

[Here follow the signatures.]

The address, which was read in English by Master Kwok Hungkwai, was accompanied by a large state Chinese umbrella, termed *Mai-man-shan*; it was manufactured of silk, richly figured, and depicted the first scenes in the Chinese play of the "Right Gentil." Round the umbrellas were also embroidered the names of the present pupils in the school.

Mr. STEWART: Boys; I am very much obliged to you for this address. I hope it will not be very long before I return once more to my duties here, and I hope that during my absence you will give the same attention to your school work, and be as loyal to my successor, Mr. Falconer, as you have been to me. I am much obliged to you for the kind words you have used, and I hope our separation will be short. I am very much obliged to you.

The proceedings then terminated. We may add that an address, and a silver inkstand, was presented a few days ago privately by the old and present Portuguese scholars in the school. We might suggest that all the articles presented to Mr. Stewart might be exhibited for a day or two at the City Hall at the commencement of next week, before Mr. Stewart's departure for home.

HONGKONG RACES, 1878.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, 2nd MARCH, 1878.

The meeting to-day was again favoured with fine weather. After the fourth race, the "Ladies' Purse" was presented by Miss Dare to the winner, Mr. Hutchings. The sixth race was rather an unfortunate one. *The Babe* went lame before starting and did not run. *Newspeak* stopped suddenly at the half mile post, completely broken down, and has since been shot, while the only remaining horse in the race, *Warlock*, threw his rider shortly after passing the Rock. The 74th Pipes, as well as the Band, discoursed music sweet and "long-drawn-out." His Excellency and Mrs. Kennedy were again present.

The SUBSCRIPTION CHALLENGE CUP, value 100 Guineas, presented, for China Ponies, the *bona fide* property of Hongkong and Canton Residents of not less than six months immediately previous to date of entry; weight for inches; entrance \$5; to be won two years consecutively by a Pony or Ponies, the *bona fide* property of the same owner. Two Miles.

The following ponies out of 30 entries faced the starter for the first race to-day: Paul's Fiesco, 10st. 12lb. (Lewis). 1. Kerfoot's Spurs, 11st. 1lb. (Hutchings). 2. Murray's Marmalade, 10st. 12lb. (Nickels). 0. Paul's The Russian, 11st. 2lb. (Brand). 0. Mount's The Doctor, 11st. 1lb. (Tennant). 0. Slimy's Wanderer, 11st. 4lb. (Brennan). 0.

The flag fell to a first rate start, *Marmalade* and *Wanderer* cutting out the work, the favorite *Fiesco* holding a good berth within easy hall of the leaders, *Spurs* lying a long way off last. After passing the Stand the second time the lot took closer order, and at the six furlongs post Mr. Paul's pair were in front; the outsiders *Wanderer* and *Marmalade* dropping into the rear. By the time the village was reached the favorite had drawn clear, and *Spurs* gradually threading his way to the front took second place, and immediately on entering the Straight resolutely challenged for the lead, the rest of the field at this point being dead beat. At the distance *Fiesco* had slightly the best of the struggle, and Hutchings, ceasing to persevere in the last few strides, Mr. Paul's skewball won by about three lengths. The others followed in straggling order.

Time, 4min. 46secs.

The F. LEONAR CUP, presented by H. St. L. Magnus, Esq., for China Ponies; weight 10st. 7lbs; winners, 7lb. extra, accumulative; entrance \$5. One Mile.

Paul's Black Satin, 10st. 8lb. (Lewis). 1. St. Andrew's Spray, 10st. 12lb. (Nickels). 0. Micawber's Scud, 10st. 10lb. (Daniel). 3. Fokien's Bravo, 10st. 7lb. (Tennant). 0. York's White Lily, 10st. 11lb. (Gore). 0. Both.

Black Satin was made a strong favorite in a field of six runners, and to a fair start *White Lily* and *Spray* made the running, *Bravo* third, the favorite fourth, *Twinkle* lying off a long way last. No change occurred until nearing the Black Rock, when *Black Satin*, *Bravo* and *Spray* were in front, *Scud* and *White Lily* lying very handy, and well within hall. *Spray* rushed to the front at the Village, and held the lead until half way down the Straight, where *Black Satin* got on terms, and immediately assuming the command won easily by two lengths, with *Scud* a very good third. *Bravo* was fourth, *White Lily* fifth, with *Twinkle* last throughout.

Time, 2 min. 15 sec.

The HANDICAP PLATE, for all Horses, to be handicapped by the Stewards after the second day; entrance (forced) \$5, with \$100 added. One Mile and a Quarter.

Fairdon's Claymore, 12st. (Hutchings). 1. Paul's The Nob, 10st. 7lb. (Nickels). 0. This was reduced to a match between *Claymore* 12st. and *The Nob* 10st. 7lb., the difference of 21lb. in the weights making the latter's chance look particularly rosy. There was no delay at the start, the light weight making strong running with a lead of a length and a half, which he maintained until climbing the ascent to the Rock, where Hutchings sent the favorite alongside, and *The Nob* at once turned it up, the Fairdon's game gelding increasing his lead as he went along and winning hand held by four lengths.

Time, 2min. 38sec.

The LADIES' PURSE, for all Ponies that have run at this Meeting, to be handicapped by the Stewards; entrance for Ponies accepting \$5. One round.

Annesley's Ariel, 10st. 8lb. (Hutchings). 1. Sydney's Fawcett, c. w. (Daniel). 2. Henry's Sombro, 10st. 11lb. (Gore). 3. Skelton's Cockchafer, 10st. 10lb. (Tennant). 0. St. Andrew's Smike, 10st. 12lb. (Nickels). 0. Edward's Presto, 10st. 4lb. (Brennan). 0. Pye's Stamp, 10st. 10lb. (Saunders). 0. Annesley's Cockchafer, c. w. (d. A. Lewis). 0. Skelton's Cockchafer, 10st. 7lb. (Lewis). 0. Morgan's Break, c. w. (Gard). 0. Conner's Allendale, 11st. 7lb. (Brand). 0.

The large field of eleven ponies faced the starter for the Ladies' Prize, *Allendale* and *Ariel* being the most fancied candidates. There was a long delay at the start, but eventually they got well away together, *Allendale* as usual making the running, closely attended by Mr. Skelton's pair, *Ariel* and *Sombro* lying fourth and fifth, with the others in a compact body. At the Village the leader hung out signals of dis-

tress, and *Cockchafer* being beaten directly afterwards, *Sombro* and *Ariel* were left in front. As soon as the Straight was entered Hutchings was hard on the "man-eater," and the gallant grey, gamely answering to the vigorous calls of his jockey, stalled off the challenges of *Sombro*, and *Pawnee*, who came with a wet sail at the last, won all out by a couple of lengths from the last named. *Sombro* was third, a length separating Mr. Henry's good-looking nag from the remainder of the field, who passed the post in straggling order.

Time, 2 min. 8 secs.

The KEZHONG CUP, presented, for China, Manila, and Japan Ponies; weight for inches; entrance \$10. From the Black Rock twice round and in.

Paul's Egmont, 11st. 1lb. (Nickels). 1. Henry's Suavita, 11st. 1lb. (Gore-Booth). 2. Foh-Kien's Cassiopea, 11st. 4lb. (Tennant). 3. Paul's Fiesco, 10st. 12lb. (Lewis). 0.

Suavita was made a warm member, as much as two to one being freely laid on Mr. Henry's tried stayer; *Fiesco*, who carried Mr. Paul's proper colors, occupying the position of second favorite. As soon as the flag fell *Cassiopea* forced the running and passed the Stand the first time, closely followed by *Fiesco* and *Suavita*, *Nickels* lying a few lengths off with *Egmont*. There was little alteration in these positions during the first round, *Lewis* on *Fiesco* watching *Gore-Booth* like a cat with a mouse. A sharp burst for the position next the rails ended in favor of *Cassiopea*, who kept his position right away to the village, where the field closed, all the riders being at this time hard on. *Suavita* was the first to drop away unable to live the pace, and *Fiesco* immediately followed suit. The result now appeared to be between the two outsiders *Egmont* and *Cassiopea*, and the first named assumed a commanding style and looked like walking in; but *Suavita*, vigorously plied with whip and spur, came again in the gamut fashion, passed *Cassiopea* and challenged the leader. It was too late however, *Nickels* passing the post first by three lengths, *Cassiopea* the same distance behind *Suavita*, with *Fiesco* a good fourth.

Time, 5min. 56secs.

The VICTORIA PLATE, value \$100, for all beaten Horses at this meeting; weight 10st. 7lbs; entrance \$10, to go to the Winner. One Mile.

Mr. Murray's Warlock, 11st. 2lb. (Brand). 1. Mr. Edward's The Babe, 10st. 7lb. (Brennan). 0. Mr. Fairdon's Newstead, 11st. (Nickels). 0. *Warlock* declared to carry 9 lbs. and *Newstead* 7 lbs. beyond the stipulated 10st. 7 lbs. and this advantage made *The Babe* a warm favorite with the outside public; but the horse was found to be lame and did not start. The race, such as it was, was a complete farce. *Newstead* made the running, but breaking down was immediately pulled up, and the "rooking horse" *Warlock* cantered over the course, managing in the first place to throw his jockey, who remounted after a time, and succeeded in getting home without further injury than a slight shaking. His jockey was received with loud huzzas and was carried from the weighing room as a mark of the admiration he had won. The unfortunate *Newstead*, who won so many honors last season, came to grief and was left in the ditch; she is likely to be shot.

No time taken.

The CONSOLATION STAKES, for all beaten China, Manila and Japan Ponies at this Meeting; catch weights; entrance \$5, with \$75 added. Once round.

Kerfoot's Spurs, (Hutchings). 1. St. Andrew's Sunbeam, (Morgan). 2. St. Andrew's Spray, (A. G. Lewis). 3. Micawber's Scud, 10st. 10lb. (Daniel). 0. Edward's Jamboree, 10st. 10lb. (Gore). 0. Foh Kien's Bravo, 10st. 7lb. (Tennant). 0. Murray's Marmalade, 10st. 12lb. (Nickels). 0. Paul's Devon, 10st. 12lb. (Lewis). 0. St. Andrew's Quicksilver, 10st. 12lb. (Nickels). 0. Skelton's Cockchafer, 10st. 7lb. (Lewis). 0. Slimy's Wanderer, 11st. 4lb. (Brennan). 0.

The large field, numbering twelve starters, were sent away to a good start, *Cockchafer*, *Jamboree*, *Scud*, *Devon*, and *Spurs* forming the leading division, but they were all well together for the first half mile. At this point Mr. Morgan, taking advantage of his light weight, raced to the front with *Sunbeam*, and entering the Straight held a two lengths' lead, and it seemed as if the veteran was to win the laurels of the consolation. It was not to be, however, for two hundred yards from the winning post Hutchings brought *Spurs* with a rattle on the outside, and after a hard struggle won a good race by about a length and a half. *Spray* also came with a wet sail at the finish, securing third place, several lengths in front of *Scud*, who was fourth, with the others in a cluster.

Time, 1 min. 59 sec.

The CHAMPION STAKES, a forced entry for all China, Manila, and Japan Ponies, winners at this Meeting; optional to beaten Ponies; weight for inches; entrance \$20; winners of two races, \$30; of three or more races, \$50, with \$100 added. One Mile and a Half.

Hickling's Sayla, 10st. 12lb. (Tennant). 1. Oyne's Temptation, 11st. 1lb. (Hutchings). 2. W. H. Forbes' Bay Rum, 10st. 12lb. (Gore-Booth). 3. Paul's White Valer, 11st. 4lb. (Lewis). 0. Micawber's Mr. Toots, 11st. (Nickels). 0.

Sayla started as a favorite and won easily, *Temptation* being a good second, with *Bay Rum* third.

Time, 3min. 80secs.

The NATIVE SCRAMBLE, for China Ponies only; First Pony, \$25; Second, \$10; Third, \$5; to be ridden by Chinamen; catch weights. Once round.

The Native Scramble will come off on Monday, as the ponies had gone home by mistake.

A New York paper, speaking of the remarkable rise of an old woman, said "he arrived in California twenty years ago with only one shirt to his back; but since then, by continued application to business, he has accumulated ten millions."

Quotations.

HONGKONG, March 2, 1878.

OPIUM.—New Patna, each...\$580 & 582½

" Old Patna, each... None

" New Benares, each, 562½ & 565

" Old Benares, each, None

" New Malwa, each, 690

" Old Malwa, each, 695

" Allowance Tails, 12 & 24

" Old Malwa, each, 700

" Allowance Tails, 705

QUICKSILVER, ... 64.50

SALT-PETRE, ... 6.30 & 6.50

Exchange.

Bank on demand, ... 3/104

" 30 days' sight, ... 3/11

" 6 months' sight, ... 3/11½

Credit, ... 3/11½

Documentary, 6 months' sight, ... 3/11½

Bombay, demand Rupees, ... 22½

Calcutta, ... 72½

Shanghai, demand, ... 72½

" 30 days, ... 72½

Bar Silver, 17, dwt. 2, ... 9.50

Sycee, ... 8.50

Mexicans, ... 14 p. 3 p.m.

Gold Leaf, ... 26.30

English Sovereigns, ... 5.03

Australian Sovereigns, ... 5.03

Discount, ... 7 to 8 %

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 5% prem. at div.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,500

Excluding of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

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